

**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
SEAT PLEASANT, MARYLAND**

**Ordinance No.:** 05-02  
**Introduced by:** Councilmember Brian K. Shivers  
**Date Introduced:** June 13, 2005  
**Public Hearing Date:** July 11, 2005  
**Amendments Adopted:** None  
**Date Adopted:** July 11, 2005  
**Date Effective:**

**AN ORDINANCE concerning**

**CHAPTER 54 - ANIMALS**

**FOR** the purpose of adopting the Prince George’s County Code (2003 edition), Subtitle 3 entitled “Animal Control” as the “Animal Control” code for the City of Seat Pleasant.

- BY** Repealing  
Chapter 54, Animals  
Code of the City of Seat Pleasant (1994 Edition, as amended)
- BY** Adding  
Chapter 54, Animal Control  
Sections 54-1 and 54-2  
Code of the City of Seat Pleasant (1994 Edition, as amended)

**SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE SEAT PLEASANT CITY COUNCIL** that Chapter 54, Animals, of the Code of the City of Seat Pleasant (1994 Edition, as amended) be and is hereby repealed.

**SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE SEAT PLEASANT CITY COUNCIL** that new Sections, be under the new Chapter 54, Animal Control, and are hereby added to the Code of the City of Seat Pleasant (1994 Edition, as amended) to read as follows:

**54-1. Adoption of County Animal Control Law.**

- A. The animal control regulations of the City of Seat Pleasant shall consist of Subtitle 3 of the Prince George’s County Code (2003 edition) entitled “Animal Control” including any future amendments, revisions, or changes thereto, and as supplemented by animal control regulations adopted by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Seat Pleasant and made a part of the Seat Pleasant City Code.

- B. The City of Seat Pleasant hereby requests and authorizes Prince George's County to enforce the provisions of this Chapter.
- C. The City of Seat Pleasant reserves the right, along with Prince George's County, to enforce the provisions of Subtitle 3 of the Prince George's County Code.
- D. A copy of Subtitle 3 of the Prince George's County Code shall be kept in the Office of the City Clerk and made available during normal business hours.
- E. In addition to the regulations contained in the Prince George's County animal control law, the restrictions contained in the following sections of this article shall apply within the City of Seat Pleasant.

**54-2 Keeping of certain animals prohibited.**

It shall be unlawful for any person to raise, or maintain or keep domestic fowl (including pigeons), bees and beehives, horses and livestock and other animals of any kind within the City except domesticated household pets conventionally sold in pet stores.

**54-3 Violations and penalties.**

- A. Knowing and intentional violations of this code, failures to comply with this code, or refusals or failures to comply with a notice issued pursuant to Sections 54-1 and 54-2 of this code, are declared to be misdemeanors. Any person who knowingly and willfully commits any of these acts shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a misdemeanor and subject to a fine of up to \$1,000, imprisonment for up to 6 months, or both fine and imprisonment. Each day that one of these acts continues is a separate offense.
- B. Except as provided in paragraph A above, violations of this code, failures to comply with this code, or refusals or failures to comply with a notice issued pursuant Sections 54-1 and 54-2 of this code, are declared to be municipal infractions, and shall be subject to a fine of up to \$400 per offense. These acts are strict liability offenses. Each day that one of these acts continues is a separate offense.

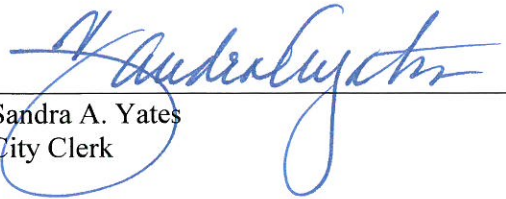
**SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE SEAT PLEASANT CITY COUNCIL** that all other ordinances or parts of ordinances or provisions of the Code of the City of Seat Pleasant (1994 Edition, as amended) in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance or Subtitle 3 of the Prince George's County Code adopted by this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

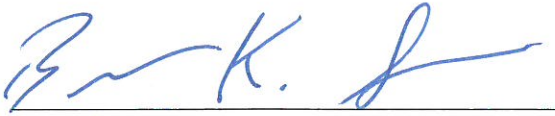
**SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE SEAT PLEASANT CITY COUNCIL** that if any provision of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or any other application of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end, all the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable.

**SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE SEAT PLEASANT CITY COUNCIL** that the City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance, and cause the same to be published as required by law; and that this Ordinance shall become effective twenty (20) days following approval by the Mayor or passage by the council after veto by the Mayor.

ATTEST:

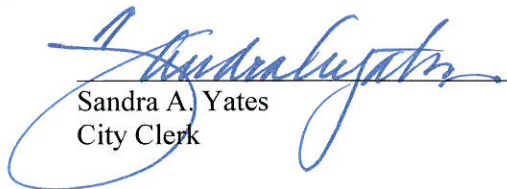
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
SEAT PLEASANT

  
Sandra A. Yates  
City Clerk

  
Brian K. Shivers  
City Council President

APPROVED:

This Ordinance was presented to the Mayor for his approval of disapproval pursuant to Section C-313 of the Charter of the City of Seat Pleasant this July 13, 2005.

  
Sandra A. Yates  
City Clerk

In accordance with Section C-313 of the Charter of the City of Seat Pleasant, I hereby (APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE) this Ordinance this July 19, 2005.

  
Eugene W. Grant, Mayor